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a container body having (1) an upper wall with an opening defined therein, (2) a recessed portion along an edge of the opening of the upper wall on a side of a free edge of a hinged lid defined herein, the recessed portion forming a plane below the upper wall, and (3) a side wall integral with and extending in a diverging manner from the upper wall to define an open lower end that is wider than the upper wall;

a bottom wall covering the open lower end of the side wall;

a hinged lid pivotally attached to the container body in the vicinity of the opening, the hinged lid obstructing at least one edge of the opening of the upper wall, the hinged lid positionable to cover the opening of the upper wall;

an elastic biasing means between the hinged lid and the container body, whereby the biasing means urges the hinged lid away from the opening of the upper wall into an open position;

locking means on a free edge of the hinged lid; and

a lid operating device provided in the recessed portion, having a latching part facing the interior of the container body, the latching part for engaging the locking means, whereby the latching part releases the locking means when the lid operating device is operated in the recessed portion, thereby moving the

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latching part away from the locking means, and releasing the hinged lid wherein

(a) the recessed portion is provided on a round inclined wall extending from the upper wall to the side wall,

(b) the lid operating device has a horizontal strip to be depressed, and cooperating with the latching part, and

(c) the horizontal strip is located within the outside shape of the container body so that the horizontal strip is on a plane below the upper wall.